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Hongkong, 7th August, 1901. [1899]

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Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2220]

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Hongkong, 17th July, 1901. [1799]

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1901. [1837]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a First and Final Dividend of 24 Cents per Preference Share will be Paid. Shareholders are requested to send in their Preference Shares at their earliest convenience to the Undersigned, whereupon Payment of the above Dividend will be made.  
M. BENNECKE,  
Liquidator.  
Hongkong, 24th August, 1901. [2163]

## GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 14, DES VOUX ROAD, on MONDAY, the 30th of September, 1901, at 12.15 o'clock, P.M., for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining by EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION the manner in which the Balance, Accounts, Books, and Documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of.  
Hongkong, 29th August, 1901.  
M. BENNECKE,  
Liquidator. [2221]

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a Statement of Business contributed during the Half-year ended 30th June, 1901, on or before the 10th September, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.  
By Order of the Board of Directors.  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1901. [2150]

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Hongkong, 4th January, 1901. [1]

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## OUR PARIS LETTER.

Paris, 3rd August.

The steerable or navigable balloon of the young Brazilian, M. Santos-Dumont, engrosses the attention of Parisians. All sorts and conditions of men and women went to St. Cloud to see the young inventor rehearse his trip to the Eiffel Tower, round it, and back to the park of St. Cloud, with a half an hour. He may at any moment recommence, fulfil the conditions, and so win the prize of 100,000 francs. But a very unseemly party has been organised against him; half the balloon society commences to belittle him, now that success is within his grasp. His crime is, that he is a foreigner, like the English and the Americans, so the small-minded patriots are exasperated and jealous at the idea of a foreigner, and not a Frenchman, solving the problem of controllable aerial navigation. The Secretary of the Balloon Club has been dispensed with, because he was too warm a partisan of the young Brazilian's success. The French Government has a balloon department, established by Gambetta, ostensibly to discover a steerable balloon; the establishment in question is directed by Col. Major Renard. They have discovered nothing, and that is a sort of reflection on French science and explains the set, at the twelfth hour, made against Dumont. The latter is only 25 years of age, pleasing in manners, and inoffensive; he has constructed five balloons, bearing the cost out of his own pocket—no small expense. He is a man of agreeable address, and laughs when told of the opposition set up against him. He only wants to win the prize; he does not want to become French, being quite happy as a Brazilian. If made uncomfortable here, he would go to England, where he was educated, and in fact brought up, or to New York; he is greatly attached to both countries.

The fortifications of Paris—the folly of ex-President Thiers—were constructed in 1840. Anticipating another general war, he acted on Napoleon's lunatic notion, that had Paris in 1814 been able to hold out against the Allies, he would have no want to abdicate. The works cost six million pounds sterling, and circle the capital with 94 fronts or sections, each 396 yards long, and 20 feet high, with an average width of 20 to 55 yards. The fortifications kept out no enemy, except M. Thiers and his government, which the Commune chased away. The Germans had no necessity to try the value of the big ditch, since they could reduce Paris to ashes by their siege artillery five miles away. Besides, it was known that the city must surrender to famine. The Government has been prevailed upon to sell about one-half of the site of the fortifications to building speculators. Ex-Minister of Marine Lockroy desired to sell all that could be auctioned off, and with the proceeds construct a navy at once equal to that of England's. As it is, the matter is like Mahomet's coffin, between earth and heaven; in any case, the waste ground is an eyesore. If sold in part, some 50 millions of francs—one third of the original cost—would be realised.

This being the silly season may explain why some fossilised philosophers draw public attention to the claims of the two rival pretenders, Prince Victor Napoleon and the Duke of Orleans. France ignores both: she is not yet tired of the idyll of the Republic. So long as she has level-headed presidents like M. Loubet, she may enjoy the sleep of the just.

Since the holding of the Congress on Tuberculosis in London recently, very commendable zeal has been, and is displayed against consumption, especially against the vice of thoughtless expectoration. Since some years, the Prefect of Police has drawn his attention to passengers, and beg of them not to indulge in that filthy and dangerous habit—dangerous, as it is the means of spreading the germs of the scourge. In Paris, the principal centres of infection are the railway platforms, and carriages. In the corridors and rooms of public offices, spittoons are now liberally supplied, and men are told off to see that they are properly cleaned out and disinfected. But French scientists do not accept Koch's new views, that tuberculosis meat and milk are free from danger. They consider that tuberculosis is not hereditary; they are divided whether it is communicative between man and animals, and vice versa. The Academy of Medical Science will appoint an important commission to investigate the contested points. The leading vote will also be utilised, though a great many French doctors take out a certificate for following the lectures in the Veterinary Colleges of Paris, and, above all, of Lyons.

The elections for the renewal of Councillors to the 36 departments have just taken place: there are 92 second ballots to take place. The first ballot resulted in the return of 1,007 republicans, and 296 royalists, or a net in for the former of 50 seats. All that was discounted. The Republic may be considered as being a fixture, as much as any institution can possibly be so. Only the Republic can kill the Republic. But France would incur such a shoal of dangers, that she will indeed be slow to revoke any. Every man has now to be a soldier, and if there was any political convulsion France has to reckon with her anarchists, for whom patriotism is less than a word.

Urbain Dubois was chef de cuisine at the old German Emperor's Court. He there recalled Vattel by his nervous anxiety to have the slightest whim of his great master gratified. The guests at the Palace brought away the sunniest memories of the imperial table. Dubois retired full of years and honours, provided with a fat pension, and like all cooks retired from business, set down to compose works of his craft. He has written two very important quatuor clames, bearing on culinary subjects, which have for aim to meet the necessities of millions of purses. In his style of catering of course economy was never studied; it was the dish perfect, and the sauce irreproachable. The illustrations of the volumes are sumptuous and drawn by acknowledged artists. His designs for the dressing of a table are magnificent, many of the plates being coloured. He brought out a popular edition of his works, and was contemplating a *Manual of the Cookery Art* for the million. He had some intention to establish a Culinary College, keep a number of "professors," whom he could engage and recommend to first-class families for a week, to direct their gala or Lucullan banquets. He has left no manuscript for publication. He died last March, and his comrades chefs de cuisine are now on the eve of erecting a monument to his memory—the first of its kind in France. In the days of Roman greatness, a cook who succeeded in pleasing the palates of guests, could count upon being rewarded by the present of an estate.

In the early days of the late Exhibition, the Government gave a lunch-banquet to 26,000—less than one-third—of the Mayors of France. Each Mayor has now been presented with a medal commemorating the event. The *convenir* is of course designed by Roly, and represents on one side the Republic supported by Fame, and on the other face the table of honour at the banquet with date. Upwards of 28,000 of these medals have been minted.

M. Pichon, ex-French Ambassador at Peking, and his lady, who went through the siege of the Legations, received a warm and sincere welcome on their arrival in Paris. Foreign Minister Delcasse requested him to name his own date for occupying his new post as Governor-General of Algeria. Madame Pichon has a pet dog, of a Japanese breed, that never leaves her side, since the Boxers shelled the "Concentration Camp" of the British Legation. Descentions from the French army though few, are not the less increasing. The law is so severe on the subject, and escape next to impossible for the delinquent, that it is really surprising that any attempt to desert is made. Any one who shelters a deserter can be sent to prison for three years. He cannot escape arrest in France; any new quarter he flies to, he must exhibit his papers of identification. He cannot quit the country as an emigrant, without complying with many formalities. Gaily, he must serve six, instead of three years. In a word, he can only escape the army by committing suicide, which is a common solution.

It appears that a Frenchwoman can recover damages for breach of promise of marriage. Mlle. Gerard sued M. Thuan for £2,000 damages for not keeping his word; he replied he was always ready to wed her, but the young lady refused. The Court directed M. Thuan to marry the fiancée within three months, or pay the full amount demanded, including costs. Swindling and gambling are the scandals most in vogue in Paris, while immorality is being monopolised by rich and respectable people. The club houses of Paris are licensed; a play is tolerated on certain conditions, and a special tax is levied in support of the poor. The secret police are entrusted to keep a lynx eye on the tables. But it is in horse-racing that the evil is most rampant, as there every form of trap is set to catch, to bleed the unwary. Leading members sport titles of their own manufacture, or hire a played-out aristocrat to ornament a syndicate. Thoughtless foreigners are the chief victims. When detected, they are requested to leave France. Monte Carlo has ceased to be in vogue. There seems to be a slump in the Riviera regions; strangers go elsewhere.

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